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Liberal Party President OGATA Taketora will not head a conservative coalition for the following reasons:

- a. He is too honest to succeed as a politician.
- b. He is tainted by overt pro-Americanism. Frequent visits of caucasians to OGATA's official residence have aroused the rumor in political circles that he is getting much support from Americans.¹
- c. He has no subordinates to make political deals for him.

1. Field Comment. In view of the reference to "official residence", this probably dates from OGATA's period as Deputy Prime Minister prior to early December 1954.

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